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State Parks Announces \$1.8 Million in Local Projects

SACRAMENTO – California Department of Parks and Recreation Director Ruth Coleman today announced selections for \$1.8 million in funding for 10 local parks projects under the Habitat Conservation Fund Program.

The state-funded program provides funds to cities, counties, and eligible districts through a competitive process. Habitat Conservation Fund Program funds may be used to acquire wildlife and plant habitat, wildlife corridors, and urban trails; to enhance or restore wetlands, riparian, or anadromous fish and trout habitat; or for programs which bring urban residents into park and wildlife areas. The program requires a dollar-for-dollar match.

Under provisions of state law, the program is administered by the Director of the California Department of Parks and Recreation. The Habitat Conservation Fund was first allocated in 1992 and will continue to be allocated through June 2020.

Acquire Deer and Mountain Lion Habitat Riverside County \$200,000
Acquisition project to acquire one parcel totaling approximately 20 acres in the County of Riverside.

Alamo Creek Acquisition City of Vacaville \$500,000
Acquisition of 60-plus acres of wetlands adjacent to and including Alamo Creek.

Balboa Park Florida Canyon Riparian Rest City of San Diego, Parks \$73,000
A development project in the City of San Diego to include removing non-native vegetation along Chollas Creek in the Florida Canyon section of Balboa Park.

Centennial Park Waterfowl Sanctuary City of Santa Ana \$62,500
A project to re-create ecological conditions conducive to the nesting of waterfowl currently at the site and attract additional species by removal of non-native vegetation, elimination of invasive species and planting of native wetland species.

<u>Cienega de las Ranas Habitat Restoration</u>	City of Santa Ana	\$60,000
A project to restore four acres of wetland habitat within a 35 acre park.		
<u>Fairview Park Riparian Habitat Planting</u>	City of Costa Mesa	\$230,000
A development project to create 35 acres of wetlands in Fairview Park to include planting native trees, grasses, and shrubs.		
<u>Madonna Creek Uplands Acquisition</u>	Midpeninsula R.O.S.D.	\$500,000
Acquisition of approximately 359 acres which contains Madonna Creek near Half Moon Bay, CA, that will expand the Mills Creek Open Space Preserve.		
<u>McFadden Triangle Habitat Restoration</u>	City of Santa Ana	\$75,000
Enhancement of the McFadden Triangle by grading and installing of understory plantings, trees, walkways, trails, seating areas, interpretive signage and an irrigation system to support additional riparian habitat at the site.		
<u>Point Arena City Park Wetland Enhancement</u>	City of Point Arena	\$5,000
Remove exotic foliage, plant native wetland foliage, plant native buffer foliage in a city park delineated as a wetland.		
<u>Southside Lake Wetland Restoration Phase</u>	City of Sacramento	\$186,200
Rehabilitate the west side of the wetland in Southside Park by replacing fencing, planting vegetation to stabilize the banks, adding an ADA accessible fishing/viewing area, repairing two fishing docks and replacing signage.		
Total		\$1,891,700